

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1113 without my signature.

While I strongly support the California 250 Percent Working Disabled Program and appreciate its role in promoting work among persons who are aged and disabled, I cannot support this bill. This bill contains a drafting error that would result in unequal treatment of similarly situated aged persons, in direct conflict with federal Medicaid law. Given my strong support of services for persons with disabilities to allow them to safely remain at home and lead productive and independent lives, I am directing the Department of Health Care Services to pursue legislation to continue and improve this important program.

For this reason, I am returning AB 1113 without my signature.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger